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HUNGER IN THE LAND.

There cannot be any disputing the existence of a crisis in the system of feeding eastern consumers since the subject, which has been exploited in the daily papers, calls forth serious comment from the masters of transportation without evolving any plan looking to a betterment of conditions. The one concrete fact is that the supply of food has been sidetracked to make room for supplying the allies. Our people at home are starving, while we are sending millions to save the population of Europe from hunger. The masses at our own doors are suffering while we flatter ourselves that we are engaged in a noble act of beneficence in contributing dollars to the foreign poor. The picture is a dreadful summary of how easy it is for the man at home enjoying snug contentment to appease an accusative conscience while not raising a hand to ameliorate the hardships found in every large city of the land. It is like the system of taking up contributions to send millions to convert the pagan of the far-away Orient while we close our eyes to the patent evidence of far worse heathenism at home. More good can be done with these funds properly applied in mitigating domestic conditions than can be derived from saving the souls of those who probably are more happy and satisfied in their idolatry than with the consciousness of Christianity instilled into their hearts.

Pagan conditions are rife in this country. There cannot be any denial of this. Trainloads and shiploads of deady ammunition designed to destroy human life are flaunted as the chief industry of the war-mad nation. Munitions go forward while the poor starve. Food trains are sidetracked that man-killing devices should be hurried to the front. A premium is placed on equipment for rapid slaughtering and nothing is said about the slow, and equally certain, slaughter of innocents at home for want of the bread that is borne past their doors for the sake of feeding military murderers in distant trenches.

These people of New York anguished with pangs of hunger are not a mobocracy, but simple, plain, everyday American mothers and daughters whose only wish is for the bread that is denied them. They are not beggars, for they appeal to the president of these United States for a loan of a million dollars that will enable them to procure the sustenance that their attenuated frames demand. These women are mothers driven reckless and desperate by the cries of their babies and offspring whose demand for food cannot be appeased. These women want TO BUY FOOD. That is no crime. They do not appeal as mendicants or paupers. They are self-respecting Americans who have endured hunger and short rations while they have been forced to witness the riotous extravagance of their fellow creatures revelling in the ill-gotten gains of the "war brides." Reports agree that never before has there been such wanton profligacy of living as the metropolis has indulged in for the past four years. Double eagles have rained on waiters and panderers in the gilded palaces of vice and the legalized houses of dissipation. Never has such an abandon of expenditures been known in the history of the country, although gaunt hunger has lurked in the shadow of the cabaret. At the president of the Chicago board of trade says, unless the condition is remedied it will breed anarchy and such anarchy as swept royalty and debauchery from the French capital in the days of the Commune. Instead of hearkening to the lupine ravensings of pork grabbers Congress should lend an ear to the cries of suffering humanity and let some of the catfish creeks and alligator inlets wait for improvements that do nothing more than furnish a pretext for absorbing the public money. Give these funds to the starving men, women and children of the east, and give it quickly, that the deaths of thousands may not be placed at the doors of the national lawmakers.

A DAY WE DON'T CELEBRATE.

MODERNITY has been so rapid that the nation has almost forgotten the honors due the memory of the father of the country, the God-raised instrument for the emancipation of a whole continent, the father of this glorious republic, the progenitor of all other forms of democratic governments, giving to the American continent the reputation of being the one place on the Creator's footstool where man was free to think and worship as he pleased. Outside Nevada a nation-wide effort has been made to bring about a revival of patriotism and interest in the life and works of the first president of the United States. The celebration will be observed from Boston to Seattle and from Atlanta to St. Paul, but in this state there is nothing of a general observance of the festival announced. One of the most eloquent appeals that has come to the notice of the writer is that written by Thomas A. Lawler, who dwells on the achievements of George Washington in the following glowing eulogy:

"Some men seem always behind the times and they hold back achievements and hinder progress; others always seem ahead of things and they start rash movements that threaten disaster and result in political abortion. Washington was the unerring interpreter of his time, the typical and unsurpassed man of the hour. He came into the course of human events and struck out for freedom at the most opportune time; a little sooner, and Old England, unembarrassed with other affairs, might have beaten down the American aspiration for liberty with her powerful, united arms; a little later, and her patronage and special privileges might have divided the people of the colonies into selfish groups and jealous classes and that aspiration, as the sentiment of the united and new born nation, might never have sprung up in their hearts, and the free government of America, the noblest piece of statecraft on earth, might not have blessed mankind forever."

"Conquerors, who have carried your scepters across boundless territories; builders of empires, who have extended your dominions over numberless tribes; statesmen, who have made mighty plans to bring justice and happiness to mankind; political reformers, who have cried out in thunderous voice against wrong and oppression; sea-crowned vikings of the sea, illustrious heroes of the land, apostles of tongue and pen, who have borne aloft the standards of a nation's freedom and a people's cause—come forth

from your glorious fanes and let your shades salute at the mention of the name of Washington."

The U. S. Biological Survey has found that a number ducks around Salt Lake were suffering from lead poisoning as a result of swallowing shot present in large quantities about the shooting stations and blinds. This may account for the advance in lead.

Nevada solons are thinking of extending the anti-nepotism law so as to apply to the families of school trustees. Let us hope that it will be more effective than at Carson City, where the statutes are openly defied by an exchange arrangements among the elective officials.

In introducing a bill providing for the creation of a branch school of mines at Goldfield, the legislature should be more liberal than it has dealt with Tonopah, where students and teachers have to get out and rustle up stray boards to build an assay office, and sage brush to heat the rooms.

There cannot be any doubt about the pernicious activity of the Carranza administration in the German embroglio. Every indication points to the presence of the sinister hand of the kaiser in directing control of the internal affairs of the neighboring republic, and it is hinted that the next step will be for Mexico to shut off the Tampico oil wells from supplying warships. This is what Mr. Carranza euphemistically refers to as placing an embargo on all supplies for the belligerents. Such a deal would be a jug-handled affair.

SECRETLY CIRCULATED NEWSPAPERS WHICH INVADERS CANNOT SQUELCH

(By Associated Press.)

AMSTERDAM, Feb. 22.—The great success of Libre Belgique, the secretly circulated newspaper which has defied all attempts of the German authorities at suppression, has led to the starting of numerous similar enterprises all through the occupied regions of Belgium and France. Nobody pretends to know how they are printed or how they manage to get into the hands of their readers. Yet several of them appear with fair regularity, and attain an amazingly wide circulation in spite of all the efforts of the German intelligence service.

Most of these papers contain mainly news of local interest, combined with patriotic Belgian editorials and brief digests of outside news obtained secretly from French and Dutch newspapers. The Libre Belgique is still the best known of these secret newspapers, mainly

because its publishers always make a point of having a copy put on the governor's desk, although how this is managed nobody seems to know.

Then there is a weekly review, which has now reached its 57th number, and which devotes itself mainly to summarizing the contents of the leading French journals. The Motus is the Belgian Punch, a humorous and satirical publication, whose jokes are aimed largely at German officials in occupied Belgium. The Patrie publishes news mainly from Dutch sources, and reproduces many cartoons from the anti-German Dutch papers.

There are also several so-called news agencies which distribute sheets of the news of the day to their subscribers, or lend out copies of smuggled French and English newspapers.

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Certificate of location — Mary Scott, unknown district, southerly from Oak Springs. Located on Nov. 30th, 1916, by N. A. Doney and W. Scott.

Certificate of location — Mary Scott No. 1, unknown district, southerly from Oak Springs, located December 23, 1916, by N. A. Doney and W. Scott.

Certificate of location — Silver Bell, unknown district, southerly from Oak Springs, located November 25, 1916, by N. A. Doney and W. Scott.

Silver Bell No. 1 — unknown district, southerly from Oak Springs, located November 25, 1916, by N. A. Doney and W. Scott.

Proof of labor on East End No. 5, situated in Tonopah Mining District, owned by the Tonopah East End Development Co., for the year 1916.

Proof of labor on Old Abe—Situated at Eden, unknown district, owned by G. B. Fallin, for the year 1916.

Certificates of location on Valley View and Valley View No. 4, situated in the Union Mining District, located on September 13, 1916, by E. Greenwood and W. J. Douglas.

Proof of labor on Full Moon, situated in Revell district, owned by H. Reischke, for the year 1916.

Proof of labor on redemption situated in Willow Creek district for the year 1916.

Proof of labor on Kid, situated in the Willow Creek district, owned by H. Reischke for the year 1916.

Notice of location on Anna M., situated in the Goldfield district, by J. F. Depew and John F. Holden.

Proof of labor on Silver Horde, No. 1, 2, and 3, situated in Tonopah district, owned by Lewis F. Haughton for the year 1916.

Proof of labor on War Eagle, No. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6, situated in the Jackson district, owned by Gertrude H. Peterson, for the year 1916.

Proof of labor on Reardon Ridge situated in the Jackson district, owned by Milas and Peter Peterson, for the year 1916.

Proof of labor on Maybeso, Anna, Homestead, Lakeview, La Eldorado and Eclipse, situated in the Jackson mining district, owned by Maybeso group, incorporated, for the year 1916.

Certificates of location of New Adventure, unorganized mining district, southerly from Oak Springs, located by J. G. Scruggam and Chas. Ferguson, J. Scheel.

Certificate of location of Baxter, situated in unknown district, southwesterly from Spanish Springs, located by Ira F. Murdock and J. G. Humphrey.

Notices of location of Peg Leg, Peg Leg No. 1, Grey Copper and Gold Circle, situated in Willow Creek mining district, located by

Ely National Mining, Milling and Developing Co., by F. H. Scott, located on January 14, 1917.

Notice of location of placer claims—Velvet, No. 1, No. 2, No. 3, situated in the unknown district, southeast of Amargosa Station, on January 1, 1917, by J. B. Dumont, W. M. V. Carpenter and Wm. Thornton.

BODY OF SUICIDE FOUND AFTER SIX WEEKS' ABSENCE

The body of J. A. Albertson was found lying about a mile and a half from Denio Monday morning, with a rifle beside it, with which he had evidently blown off the top of his head. A sawed-off broom handle lying near by was probably used to push the trigger. Albertson disappeared from Denio on January 2, and while it was generally believed he had gone out into the hills to kill himself, searching parties failed to find the body, owing to the fact that a heavy storm had covered the ground with snow.

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